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ON TO SOUTH DAKOTA.

Among the projects in which Omaha has a vital interest none deserves more active encouragement at the hands of the Omaha real estate exchange than the proposed direct connection with Yankton and South Dakota.

There is another thing which may count strongly in favor of the Ohio man at the next national democratic convention, and that is the sentiment now spreading in the party that it should look away from New York for a presidential candidate.

There is still another thing to be considered, and that is the possibility, or rather the probability, that the war of the Cleveland and Hill factions in New York will be so sharp and bitter as to compel the convention in the interest of the party to drop both of them.

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NATIONAL MEAT INSPECTION.

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THE DEPOT PROPOSITION.

Does Omaha's future depend on a Union depot, a Tenth street viaduct, and the running of eastern trains over the Union Pacific bridge?

Do these three achievements depend upon the voters of \$100,000 of the people's money to be raised by taxation?

Omaha's distant future may not depend upon a Union depot, Tenth street viaduct and the running of eastern trains over the Union Pacific bridge.

Omaha would to-day be much more populous than Kansas City had she been similarly favored with union depot and passenger transfer facilities.

There can be no serious objection to such a plan, and the possible advantages are such as to commend it to consideration.

ANOTHER RICHMOND IN THE FIELD.

The New York Sun names David B. Hill and James E. Campbell as democratic candidates for president and vice president in 1892.

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WHATSOEVER MAY BE THE NATURE OF THE DIFFICULTIES WHICH HAVE INDUCED MADAME MODJESKA, AS IT IS REPORTED, TO TAKE

steps to sever her connection with the Booth-Barrett combination, no one who knows that lady will question for a moment that she is blameless in the matter.

The Fremont branch of the W. C. T. U. have taken up the Tekman incident and endorsed the action of Mrs. Gougar and the zealots who insist that her right to slander and defame people shall not be abridged.

THE ST. LOUIS JOURNAL pathetically asserts that "whisky comes high but the people will have it."

ALLISON WILL BE RE-ELECTED.

It is with no small satisfaction that the Evening News notes that the tendency of the later reports from Iowa is to increase the republican majority in the legislature.

NEW NOTARIES PUBLISHED.

The governor today made the following notarial appointments: Frank S. Daily, Chadron, Dawes county; J. P. Watts, Waterloo, Douglas county; E. H. Marshall, Bloomington, Franklin county; W. A. Gode, Omaha, Douglas county; R. D. Tate, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Des Moines county; A. C. Logan, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Des Moines county; John R. Inister, Raymond, Lancaster county; A. J. Beecher, Malcoo, Saunders county; C. A. Collins, Watloo, Saunders county.

CITY NEWS AND NOTES.

Governor Thayer returned from Plattsmouth today.

Al Parsons, of Grant, Perkins county, spent the day in the city.

George Tucker was injured by being struck in the face by a brick at the corner of Sixth and O streets last night.

Dr. Guild, of Holdrege, was here to-day. The doctor had the honor of presiding at the late republican congressional convention.

Mr. Johnson left for Nebraska last night, where he takes the chief clerkship at the Padlock, having resigned a like position at the Capital of this city.

E. L. King, of Osceola, was in the city to-day. Mr. King is a candidate for judge in the Sixth judicial district in place of Hon. T. E. Norval, supreme judge-elect.

Two little boys, aged eight and nine years respectively, came to the city from Clark Saturday in search of their father. With the assistance of the police the father, Mr. Dickerson, was found and is now providing for his sons.

The district court commenced its fall term this morning. Call of the docket occupied the forenoon and Judge Field was on the bench. The trial of causes commenced to-morrow morning. It will take at least two weeks to clear the criminal dock.

OLD CHINESE BRIDGES.

The Chinese suspension bridges, dating from the time of the Han dynasty (202 B. C. to 220 A. D.), furnish striking evidence of the early acquaintance of the Chinese with engineering science, says Iron.

According to the historical and geographical writers of China, it was the Chinese who first introduced the use of the suspension bridge into the province of Shensi, to the west of the capital, the high mountains and deep gorges of which made communication so difficult, and which could be reached only by circuitous routes.

At the head of an army of 10,000 workmen Shang Liang cut through mountains and filled up the valleys with the soil obtained from the excavations. Where, however, this was not sufficient to raise a road high enough, he built bridges resting upon abutments or projections.

At other places, where the mountains were separated by deep gorges, he carried out a plan of throwing suspension bridges stretching from one slope to the other. These bridges, appropriately called by the Chinese writers "flying" bridges, are sometimes so high as to inspire those who cross them with a feeling of awe.

At the present day there is still a bridge in existence in Shensi 600 feet long, which stretches across a gorge of immense depth. Most of the bridges are only wide enough to allow of the passage of one mounted man, riding on both sides serving for the protection of travelers. It is not improbable that the missionaries who first reported on Chinese bridges two centuries ago, gave the initiative to the construction of suspension bridges in the west.

MONSTER CANNON.

A Description of a Few of Europe's Big Guns.

The recent completion of a 125-ton gun at Essen for the Russians, and its shipment from Hamburg to Cronstadt, says the New York Sun, after a successful test at the Moppan range, has marked the climax in the making of a monster cannon.

The largest Krupp gun previously made was one of about one hundred and nineteen tons, throwing projectiles of 2,310 pounds. Italy has two of these mounted in a shore battery, and it is for coast defense also that Russia intends to use the new gun obtained from Krupp.

It has been said that the next step in advance undertaken by the Essen works will be the making of a 150-ton gun which will throw a projectile weighing 3,000 pounds.

Hardly less interesting than these calculations are the more familiar 110-ton guns of the Electric works, known as the Krupp guns, and used for the batteries of British ships, as, for example, on the Benbow.

COWDREY SUCCEEDS LAWS.

The New Secretary Takes Immediate Charge of Affairs.

PUSHING THE REDUCTION ORDER.

The State Board of Transportation Means Business—A Suit Against the L. O. G. T. Lodge—The City in Brief.

LINCOLN BUREAU OF THE OMAHA BEE, 1029 P STREET, LINCOLN, NEB., NOV. 11.

Hon. B. R. Cowdrey was appointed secretary of the board of transportation by Laws' resignation and enters upon the discharge of the duties of the office at once.

His commission was presented to him about 5 o'clock by the governor.

The deputyship is still a conundrum. There are no indications as to where the board will light, but Law Fryar, of Clay county, is thought to have the inside track.

Mr. Baumgardner, the recorder of the office, cannot hope for promotion, although he has been a long time in the office. A case concerning him is under consideration and the lightning may strike in that direction.

The freight reduction order. The state board of transportation held an informal meeting this morning and fixed upon Tuesday, November 19, as the day for the final hearing on the order reducing freight rates on coal.

Representatives of the various railroads operating in the state will be in attendance, and it is expected that the order will be enforced and go into effect. It seems, therefore, that the rate problem on coal is to be settled in the near future.

LIFE OF A PERSIAN BOY. The Peculiar Training of Children of the Orient.

When a boy is born in Persia, says the Philadelphia Times, a servant runs to the father of the infant and announces the news by saying: "Praise be to God, the most merciful, you are the father of a boy!"

"Mashallah!" replies the father, and the boy is named. The same fervent gratitude is not exhibited on the birth of a girl, but the afflicted father ejaculates instead, in a resigned tone: "Is that so? Then we shall do the best we can for her."

He has one eye on the girl for four years when he will be forced to cast about to place a mortgage on his house or chattels in order to pay off her dowry.

As soon as the lusty Persian lad is launched into the troublous world he is firmly bound to swaddling bands, which are kept tightly awed until he is six months old.

He resembles a piece of wood rather than anything else until he is six months old, when his tiny arms are released and he swaddling bands are taken off.

He is then placed in a cradle and the trikotak hanging from the crossbar of the richly carved and painted cradle, to which a cord is attached. The mother or nurse, sitting and knitting in the doorway, has her feet on the cradle, and her hands on the cord and this rocks her boy to sleep.

When the Persian lad is three or four years old he comes under the barber's hands. The ceremonial at law requires that the head of every male Mohammedan should be shaved and kept smooth during life.

Hence comes the custom of wearing turbans and keeping the head covered in the house, and the dissonance considered to apply to the Christian custom of uncovering in the presence of a superior or indoors.

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THE COOKED FOOD FOR STARVING BARRAGANS ON A HAGING SEA.

A thrilling tale of shipwreck involving the heroism of a brave little woman, was brought to this city yesterday on the steamship Atlanta, which is in the West Indian fruit trade, says the New York Herald.

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